

HE WAS IN A HURRY.

JUMPIN JOE MEETS A STRANGER WHO BURNED WITH AMBITION.

And He Is Promptly Followed by a Fellow on a Spotted Horse Who Meets Business and Has No Time to Lose—The Man With a Smile.

I was sittin in front of my dugout and comin' with nature when I heard a gallopin down the trail, and I looked up to see a feller comin over the ridge on a Mexican burro. He was a damn slappy slap and 'peared to be in the biggest kind of a hurry to git outter North America afore sundown.

"Hello, what's up?" I yells as he gits within hootin distance.

"It's jest my ambishun way!" he replies as he gits a brace with his feet and brings the burro to halt.

"What's yer pertickler ambishun jest at this time?" sez I as I looks him over.

"For to keep about two miles ahead of the other feller," he sez as a ripplin smile ripples over his sin hardened countenance.

"Then I take it to git out of North yer ar' pursued by AMERICA. DEFORE a feller critter who sez down."

"Wants ye to fill out a life insurance applicashun?"

"That's the tooth in the matter, but he's an impudent kuss and might shoot before I got my name dooly signed to the dookment."

"Troost ar' mighty, and she must prevail," sez I, standin ready to dodge if he pulled a gun on me.

"She ar', stranger," he softly replies. "With troost on my side, ambishun burnin in my soul and this durned burro a-gittin his second wind, I'm feelin that I shall conker circumstans and riz up superior to the turnin of this vain world."

"Go on, critter! Callin for'ds to other and greater victories, but in fucher remember that it's jest as easy to steal a hundred dollar mowl as a fifty dollar burro."

"But it was burro or nuthin this time, and fare thee well!" he sez as he digs in his spurs and begins a new and more ambishun career.

I hadn't got through sneezin over the alkali dust kicked up by the flyin burro when I sees a feller on a spotted horse comin in likety out over the same trail. He had a gun in each hand and the bridle reins in his teeth, and he was liftin that hoss a foot high at every dig of the spurs. He was far ridin by without even seeln me, but I waves my hat and hollers:

"Hello, yer! What did the rebellion break out, and how many's bin killed up to jest now?"

He put up his guns and stopped his hoss, and when he could git his breath he asks:

"Mebbe thar's a critter gone past yere on a Mexican burro?"

"Mebbe thar has," sez I. "If sich was the case, would it be yer sorrowful loss?"

"Of course it would! He picked the critter up back yere 'bout seven miles, and my ole woman saw him when he rid off."

"Want, ye might as well stop and git hold of yer breath, fer he's two miles ahead of ye, and that spotted hoss hain't got no enthousiasm left. One dose of my Cherokee sassyparilly will git him back home all right, but it won't grow wings on him to fly ahead."

"But why'd ye stop the durned reptile?" he hollers, beginnin to git red in the face and reachin for his guns.

"I axed him to stop, but he couldn't tarry."

"Then why didn't ye shute him?"

"I order hev shot him, I s'pose, but I didn't think of it in time. If I'd only knowed ye wanted him popped, I'd hev bin cheerfully willin, though he was a decentish lookin kuss, and I hadn't nuthin agin him."

"Doggons sich a kyote as ye ar'!" hollers the man as he gits madder and madder. "Of course ye order shot him! What ar' ye out in Cherokee fur but to shute folks, and especially hoss thieves? Dye s'pose I'd let a human critter cum whoopin past me on a critter without hootin two or three holes in his karones, and then askin who he was and what he was goin? Who be ye anyhow?"

"They calls me Jumpin Joe."

"They dows, eh? Ar' it mostly on account of yer jumpin?"

"Rocken 'em."

"Then they'd better quit. Ye can't jump nuthin nor anybody. If cartridges wasn't worth 10 cents apiece, I'd shute one inter yer 5 cent diablan and tumble ye over. What's yer hole in the air?"

"Right over thar, stranger, does yer ever hev any use fer enthousiasm of soul?"

"As to how, and he durned to ye?" he hollers, keepin me klivered with both his guns.

"As to feelin so powerful peart and proud and rich and happy that ye can't skasee keep yer feet on the ground—I kin gin ye them yer feelin's, stranger. One dose of my Cherokee sassyparilly will make ye willin to fudge the kuss who stole yer burro, and if ye'll buy a box of my Magic cement ye'll wish he'd cum back and steal yer hoss as well."

"I'm the power. HE HAD A GUN IN EACH HAND, peartest and most enthousiastic critter in all Cherokee as it is," he hoots in reply, and he pops away at me. I dodges and drops and gits to my dugout, but afore I could git my shotgun the cantankerous critter begins to feel homesick and gallops off. I sees him jump in the saddle as I fired, but the distance was so far that his ole woman probably picked out all the shot with a table fork.

Next day my hoss strayed off, and I went over to ride Dec Creek to look fur

her. Bimeby I cum upon a mortal seated beside the trail and withn tears of sorrow from his eyes.

"Stranger," sez I as I halts afore him, "whyfore this yer grief?"

"I've bin deiv," he wails as he looks up with tearful eyes.

"From whence to which?"

"From my claim to this yer."

"In other words, sum reptile has jumped yer claim and told ye to git?"

"That's jest the way of it, stranger," sez he as he weeps sum more and turnt his feelin a wrong side out fur me to gaze at. "A reptile cumt along last night and takes a fancy to my claim, which ar' the richest and purtest on Dec Creek, dog gone 'er, and he pulls his gun and gins me three minits to leave."

"And ye didn't bury him?"

"No."

"Got up and walked?"

"Yes."

"And he's thar yit, enjoyin of yer blankets and fodder and patten hisself on the back fur his peartness?"

"Guess he ar'. Stranger, dye observe these tears and other evidences of my grief?"

"I do. Ye must be powerful weak in the region of the craw."

"That's jest what ails me. I've bin as tarnaal homesick and discouraged and lonesome that my sand has run out, and I durn't yell 'shute' at a kyote."

"Would ye like to git that afore said and back in yer craw?" sez I as I sits down beside him.

"Would I? Ye holler, stranger, if ye kin tell me how to do it, I'll luv ye to the last hour of my life!"

"And would ye go back and jump the jumper who jumped yer claim?"

"Whoop! I would! I'd hev the reptile killed and buried before noon! Don't hold out false hopes to me, stranger! I'm a lone man, and a grievin man, and fur, fur from ole Missouri!"

"Take one dose of my Cherokee sassyparilly," sez I as I fetches out a bottle and hands it over. "It acts directly on the craw. It works up sand. It dries the 'THER SMILE OF HIS FACE' tears and causes 'WAS BOOTFUL' the heart to cease its palpitation. If it don't gin yer vital parts an enthousiastic commoshun, then ye was born fur a wolf."

In one minit his tears had ceased to fall, and his right eye was twinklin. In two minits he was grinnin his teeth and twichin in both ears and workin his toes. When he had begun to jump up and crack his heels together and yell, I pias a gun in his paw and sez:

"Stranger, yer vital part ar' now in a condition fur lightin. Go and find the reptile who drive ye from whence to which er!"

"Whoop! Whoop-ee! Waugh! Whoop!" he yells as he goes, and in 10 minits he was outer sight.

I jogged along and took it easy, and bimeby I cumt to his claim. He was sittin on a snophox in front of his dugout, and the smile on his face was bootiful to see. He handed me back my gun and pinte to'ards the Colorado line. An objek was movin over the face of the airth and draggin one leg behind him as if he had lost his boundin enthousiasm. I understood. Weenbraed and said adieu, and I went home feelin that virehew ar' his own reward.

AUSTIN KERN.

MRS. LEASE'S LECTURE.

She Will Deliver a New One Here Thursday Evening.

Mrs. Mary E. Lease will deliver a new lecture in Topeka next week. Her subject is, "What Shall We Bequeath to Posterity?" Mrs. Lease's answer to this query will be received with a great deal of interest by her Topeka admirers. She explains in part what she will say by the synopsis: "Capital and labor; politics of the Lord's prayer; practical christianity." The lecture will be strictly non-partisan and non-sectarian.

The lecture will be delivered for the benefit of the English Lutheran church, at Hamilton hall, next Tuesday evening, August 7. The church, like some other institutions, has fallen behind in its finances during the hard times, and in order to raise the deficiency, Mrs. Lease has kindly volunteered her services free.

E. S. Stumbaugh, who secured the lecture from Mrs. Lease, says it is refreshing to find one person during this campaign who is willing to drop politics long enough to do a good and commendable deed. The admission is 25 cents.

THAT LICENSE ORDINANCE.

Collector Vanderpool's Views on the Subject.

In reference to the fight on the city license ordinance C. L. Vanderpool, the license collector, said to a reporter today:

"I see that Attorney W. A. S. Bird says that the license ordinance passed in June is not good, and gives for his reason that Vanderpool decides who pays a license and who can go out free."

"This is a mistake. I have not construed or determined who must pay a license or who must not. That is the city attorney's business, not mine."

"The Baughman Brothers, ice cream manufacturers, have paid their license, \$25.05, to October 31, 1894, without a kick. They are satisfied with the ordinance."

"Neither have I decided who is a peddler, that is a question for the courts."

"As to oil and gasoline wagons being peddlers, any one can take a bucket and go onto the streets and try them for themselves. The same will apply to ice cream."

"The city attorney deemed the heads of business rather than the drivers of wagons, the proper parties to look to in the litigation that might ensue."

WOMEN GO NOSING ABOUT.

Populist League Investigate the County Jail for Bad Things.

The four ladies that compose the investigating committee, appointed by the Woman's Progressive Political league to investigate the condition of the county jail and the treatment of the prisoners, made their formal investigation yesterday afternoon. The ladies of the committee are Mesdames M. H. McLafflin, J.

G. Otis, Mrs. Maybee and Mrs. W. D. Struble.

They are not very willing to talk about the matter just now and preferred not to say anything about it at all till after the meeting of the league next Wednesday afternoon. They say, though, that things are not run there just as they should be. They are adverse, however, to laying any of the blame at the door of Sheriff Burdige. They say that they think he is doing the best he can with the appropriation he had to work with.

He is allowed forty-five cents, they say, for each day each prisoner is fed by him. It is a fact, the ladies further say, that the prisoners are only given two meals each day and one of the committee thinks that is all she would care for of the food they are given. The women do not say that the food is bad but hint that they have some changes to make when the time comes. They are going to investigate the city jail, too, and will compare them. More complaint has been made of the food at the city jail than at the county jail.

The ladies, the ladies say, are not at all comfortable, especially in the women's department. There are only two beds there and they have no ticks on them, but the prisoners are compelled to lie on the hard iron slats with simply a thin covering of cloth thrown over. One of the committee says she would much rather sleep on the floor and doubtless the prisoners would if it was not for the fact that the floor is very dirty having been made of cement which is now crumbling, and is littered with all sorts of trash. They say also that the rats and bed bugs seem to have taken to the jail.

Miss Estella Osborn, the Holton prisoner, is the only one that has any sort of comfort at all. She has a cot to lie on that was brought to her by Mrs. G. C. Clemens. She complained of the jail food.

There are no private cells for the women, and all the toilet appliances are in one room together. Mrs. Cole, the woman who was arrested for violating the prohibitory law, was compelled to lie on the floor, and Mrs. Maybee got her a buffalo robe to lie on.

The women describe the women's department as a very dirty place and think it should be renovated at once. Their suggestion is made that the county jail needs a matron to look after the women who are locked up there.

NORTH TOPEKA.

Items of Interest from the North Side of

Miss Kate King has returned from her visit to Colorado.

John Powers has returned from an extended business trip in Texas.

A number of young men from here are still doing deputy marshal duty at Nickerson.

Judge C. E. Foote and his daughter, Miss Ethel, came up from Marion last night.

W. C. Sly went down to Grantville last night to organize a lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Gentry.

John Fieger went to Chicago last night in response to a telegram announcing the death of a cousin.

A picked nine of north side baseball players cross bats with the boys at the reform school this afternoon.

Mrs. Grace Ward, who has been spending the past two months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spencer, has returned to her home at Dragon Summit, Arizona.

Go to Will Griffith's for the best tin, galvanized iron and pump work.

Monarch gasoline stoves at Henry's.

Go to Henry's for roofing and spouting.

A full leather extension top surrey for \$100, at Lukens Bros., North Topeka.

"Our New Delight" and all Dangler stoves at H. M. Climes.

F. burgain and shingles see E. P. Ewart, Gordon and Kansas avenue.

Get our prices on the very best quality of meats in the market.

GOODMAN BROS., 841 N. E. A.

W. C. Sly has moved his millinery two doors south of the old stand, and is closing out summer millinery at cost—823 North Kansas avenue.

We have another shipment of that fine celery today.

GOODMAN BROS., 841 N. E. A.

J. W. Buskirk's residence in Maple Grove was destroyed yesterday by fire.

Nothing was saved but a shed kitchen which had a tin roof. The fire originated from the flue.

A letter has been received from Rev. W. L. Byers, stating that his condition is less favorable than was hoped for. Rest and medical treatment will be necessary for some weeks yet.

The Congregational Sunday school will meet at 9:30 tomorrow. Dr. Peter McVicar will preach at 11 o'clock. There will be a meeting of the Junior Endeavor society at 5 p. m. and a meeting of the seniors at 7 p. m. Mr. McNulty will conduct services at 8 o'clock.

The East Indianola Choral society, under the direction of Mr. Tracy, is studying both sacred and secular music of a high grade. The society meets every Wednesday evening and will not adjourn during the warm weather.

Mrs. Daniel Van Ness, mother of Prof. W. M. Van Ness, died this morning after a long illness. She was a sufferer from bronchitis but the immediate cause of her death was said by her physician to be heart failure. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced.

Farmers and other people coming in from the country bring conflicting reports regarding the condition of the corn crop. Some say the corn crop is badly damaged, others say it is hurt very little. There seems to be a pretty general agreement however, that the corn on the bottom lands has stood the drought so well as that on the uplands.

A DEMOCRATIC RALLY.

A Big Meeting to Be Held at Hamilton Hall Saturday Evening.

There will be a big Democratic rally at Hamilton hall Saturday night, August 4th, 1894, at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be addressed by Hon. David Overmyer and Hon. Joseph G. Lowe. All intelligent voters are cordially invited to attend and hear the live political issues of the day discussed by able speakers. A good citizen prefers to hear both sides of a question, thereby enabling him to cast a more intelligent ballot, and Mr. Overmyer and Mr. Lowe will speak on national issues as well as the two leading state issues, prohibition and woman suffrage, from a Democratic standpoint.

J. S. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

Democratic State Central Committee.

Read the "Wanta." Many of them are as interesting as news items. See if it is not so.

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Official Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOPEKA, KANSAS, August 2, 1894.

Council met pursuant to call. Present, Councilmen Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton, and Griggs—8. Absent, Pattison and Fellows—2. Mayor T. W. Harrison, presiding.

The clerk read the following call: OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, TOPEKA, KANSAS, August 2, 1894.

To the Members of the City Council: GENTLEMEN—A special meeting of the council of the city of Topeka is hereby called to meet this Thursday evening at eight o'clock (August 2, 1894), in the council chamber, for the following purposes:

To consider bids for the construction of new sidewalks.

To consider reports of committees.

To consider ordinances relating to special assessments.

To consider resolutions.

[Signed] M. C. HOLMAN, W. C. STEPHENSON.

[SEAL] Attest: S. S. McFADDEN, City Clerk.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1732, being "An ordinance relating to apportioning and levying a special assessment on all lots and pieces of ground in sewer district No. 16, as defined and described in ordinance No. 1640, approved August 19, 1893; to pay the cost of constructing the sewer in said district and providing the manner and means for collecting the installments," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council. The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. The ordinance was then put upon its final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes, Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1733, being "An ordinance levying special assessments to redeem and pay certain internal improvement bonds of the city of Topeka, and interest," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Holman rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council. The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two, three and four were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1734, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening Western avenue between Second and Fourth streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1577," which was read the first time and on motion of Mr. Griggs rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council. The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two, three and four were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1735, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1736, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1737, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1738, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1739, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1740, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1741, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1742, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1743, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1744, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No. 1745, being "An ordinance levying a special assessment to pay the property's proportion of the cost of opening an alley in the city of Topeka, Kansas, in the block bounded by Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets and by Van Buren and Jackson streets, as provided in ordinance No. 1665," which was read the first time, and on motion of Mr. Ettlinger rule 18 was suspended by the unanimous vote of the council.

The ordinance was then read and considered by sections, and on separate motions sections one, two and three were adopted. It was then put upon final passage and passed by the following vote: Ayes—Holman, Stevens, Stephenson, Ettlinger, Bradford, Burgess, Fulton and Griggs—8. The title was agreed to.

Mr. Griggs introduced ordinance No